



# PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

**CR-101 (June 2004)**  
(Implements RCW 34.05.310)  
Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

**Agency:** Department Of Agriculture

**Subject of possible rule making:** Chapters 16-301 and 16-302 WAC

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** 15.49 RCW; 34.05 RCW

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** This rule review will establish into WAC certification standards for new seed crops being certified in Washington, align other standards with nationally established certification standards, bring the labeling and certification standards up to date as recommended in a recent audit as well as several housekeeping items.

**Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:**  
None.

**Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):**

- ☐ Negotiated rule making
- ☐ Pilot rule making
- ☐ Agency study

☒ WSDA staff will develop the specific rule proposal in consultation with a special committee made up of members of the seed industry. This committee will be structured such that the various Seed Program user groups are represented. In addition the Seed Program Advisory Committee will be kept informed of this proposal. Interested parties can participate in the public hearing/public comment process, the dates of which will be announced when the department files the rule proposal with the Code Reviser.

**How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:**

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

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